

**UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Re: Application of: Wolfgang KREMERS et al.  
Serial No.: To Be Assigned  
International  
Application No.: PCT/EP00/00479  
Filed: Herewith  
For: SELF-RECOVERING CURRENT-LIMITING DEVICE  
WITH LIQUID METAL

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Asst. Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Applicants request that the following Amendments be made in the above-identified matter prior to examination thereof:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Before paragraph [0001], please change the heading "Field of the Invention" to --Field of the Invention--.

Please amend paragraph [0001] as follows:

[0001] The present invention relates to a self-recovering current-limiting device with liquid metal, including two electrodes made of solid metal and a plurality of compression spaces partially filled with the liquid metal.

Before paragraph [0002], please change the heading "Related Art" to --Related Technology--.

Before paragraph [0004], please change the heading "Summary of the Invention" to --Summary of the Invention--.

Please amend paragraph [0004] as follows: